



Foreword

The organizations represented by the Columbia River Comprehensive Impact Assessment (CRCIA) Team, with the U. S. Department of Energy acting in a hosting and non-negotiating role (see the Part II disclaimer), jointly developed the assessment requirements documented in Part II. In weekly facilitated workshops over a two-year period, the CRCIA Team participants defined issues and concerns which were translated into requirements for a comprehensive assessment. To reach agreement on the definition of a comprehensive assessment, the CRCIA Team strove to eliminate conflicts with existing constraints and policies held by the participating organizations. The resulting requirements in Part II include those that are very important to some organizations while less important to others.

The CRCIA Team constituent organizations have supported this process and support the requirements document that has resulted. Part II defines the conditions under which the remaining analysis work is to be conducted to provide an acceptable comprehensive river impact assessment to all parties.